

# Energy Efficiency and Environmental Improvements

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## NY POWER AUTHORITY

- Recharge program



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# Climate Smart Communities Grant Program

Office of Climate Change  
NYS Department of Environmental Conservation

# Office of Climate Change Contact Information

- NYS DEC, 625 Broadway, Albany NY 12233-1030
- <https://dec.ny.gov/environmental-protection/climate-change/resources-for-local-governments/grants-for-climate-action>
- [cscgrants@dec.ny.gov](mailto:cscgrants@dec.ny.gov)
- <https://climatesmart.ny.gov/>
- [climatesmart@dec.ny.gov](mailto:climatesmart@dec.ny.gov)
- 518-402-8448

Facebook: [www.facebook.com/NYSDEC](http://www.facebook.com/NYSDEC)

Twitter: <https://twitter.com/NYSDEC>

Flickr: [www.flickr.com/photos/nysdec](http://www.flickr.com/photos/nysdec)



Superstorm Sandy



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# Division of Water CFA Grant Programs

Division of Water  
NYS Department of Environmental Conservation

REDC Workshops

## Types of projects:

- Implementation

## Projects are required to:

- Improve water quality or habitat;
- Promote flood risk reduction; restoration, and enhanced flood and climate resiliency; or
- Protect a drinking water source

**Available funding:** At least \$75 million

**Max award:** \$100,000 - \$15 million per project (dependent on project type)

## Match requirement:

- 25% of requested funds/award

## Eligible applicants: (dependent on project type)

- Municipalities (ECL §56-0101)
- Soil and water conservation districts
- Not-for-profit corporations

## Types of Projects:

- Planning/design for future nonpoint source implementation projects
- Mapping and planning to meet MS4 General Permit requirements

## Projects are required to include:

- Initial planning of non-agricultural nonpoint source, climate resiliency and dam safety projects; or
- Regulated MS4 operator mapping and planning

**Available funding:** Up to \$3 million

**Max award amount:** \$50,000-\$400,000 per project (dependent on project type)

## Match requirement:

- 10% of requested funds/award

**Eligible applicants:** (dependent on project type)

- Municipalities (ECL §56-0101)
- Soil and water conservation districts

# Contact Information and Grant Webinar



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## Contact Information:

NYS DEC, Division of Water  
[DOWgrants@dec.ny.gov](mailto:DOWgrants@dec.ny.gov)  
(518)402-8179

WQIP Program Website:  
<http://on.ny.gov/wqip>



NPG Program Website:  
<http://on.ny.gov/npg>



**Webinar: June 8<sup>th</sup>, 2026 @ 1-3pm**

**Registration Link:** <https://meetny.gov/webex.com/weblink/register/r0c5d305523b5c078254edeba6bd7efba>

# NYSERDA Consolidated Funding Application Programs

NYSERDA Representative  
2026



**NYSERDA**  
New York State Energy Research  
and Development Authority

**NYSERDA has \$25 million of funding available to administer the Building Cleaner Communities Competition (BCCC) which will support regionally significant, all electric, carbon neutral and resilient projects in NY State.**

**Building Cleaner Communities Competition**

## Eligible Applicants

- Applicants can be building owners or developers
- Entities can be for profit, not for profit, or government and agency
- Building types include commercial, light industrial, municipal and government, office and other types as listed in the solicitation
- Projects in all stages of design, ahead of a building permit
- New construction, deep retrofit, adaptive reuse, and gut rehabilitation projects
- Project can be a single building or multiple buildings
- Meet the energy performance requirement

## Funding Structure

- **Dollar per square foot amount** and **flat incentive amounts** for project elements
  - \$45/sf for 501(c)(3) or government entity; \$35/sf for all other entities
  - Flat incentives: \$150k for Passive House certification; \$200k for Ground Source Heat Pump; \$400k for Geothermal Network
- **Cap** at \$1.5M for a single building and \$3M for multiple buildings, **OR** 35% of total project cost for 501(c)(3) entity or government entity and 25% of total project cost for all other entities, **whichever is less.**

## Fundable Activities

- Design, Energy Modeling, design support for building envelopes, controls, renewables, heat pumps, resiliency measures etc.
- Commissioning
- Third Party Certification (i.e. Passive House, WELL, LEED)

## Scoring Criteria

- Regional and State Economic Development and Energy Strategies
- Clean and Carbon Neutral Performance Measures
- Resiliency, Passive and Active Survivability
- Cost Effectiveness
- Replicability
- \*Projects located in Disadvantaged Communities

## Additional Information

Previous awarded projects: <https://www.nyserda.ny.gov/All-Programs/Building-Cleaner-Communities-Competition>

Submit questions to: [BCCC@nyserda.ny.gov](mailto:BCCC@nyserda.ny.gov)

Live informational webinar (see the website above)

# Recharge NY Program Overview

## Economic Development

Largest statewide economic development program started in 2012

## Hydropower

910 Megawatts (MW) of low-cost power

Hydropower generated from Niagara and St. Lawrence Power Projects

## Focus

Job creation, retention for existing, expanding, and new businesses

## Contracts

Long-term contracts for price stability and predictability

## Eligibility

Open to existing, expanding or brand-new businesses

Businesses and nonprofits, including manufacturers, private hospitals and universities

## Support

Open the door to other services provided by NYPA



# Eligibility

## Who's Eligible?

### Existing, Expanding or Brand-New Businesses and Nonprofits:

- Manufacturers of all kinds
  - Warehousing facilities
  - Agri-business
  - Private Hospitals and Universities
- Awards range from a baseline of up to 50% (retention) and up to 70% (expansion) of total usage
  - Nonprofits awards are up to a baseline of 33% of total usage

### Additional criteria include:

- Minority and/or Women-Owned Business Enterprises
- Service-Disabled Veteran-Owned Businesses
- Disadvantaged Communities
- Green Jobs

\*NYS utility customers must have demand meter/account in applicant's name

## Who's Not Eligible?

- Retail businesses
- Tourism, Sports venues, and gaming/entertainment related establishments
- Places of overnight accommodation
- Government entities
- Public colleges and hospitals



# Contract Overview

- A direct sale arrangement
- 7-year contract term with option to extend
- Allocation election options:
  - Blended – 50% NYPA hydropower and 50% market power procured by NYPA
  - Hydro Only – Hydropower portion only (50% of allocation)

# Contract Commitments

- Awardees must report annually on contractual commitments



# Power Utilization

# Employment

# Capital Investment

# Energy Efficiency Audit

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